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1. Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages);
2. Form PTO-1449 (1 page);
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §1.97, and §1.98, Applicant(s) bring(s) the following documents to the Examiner's attention in the above-referenced application:

1. U.S. Patent No. 5,485,510, issued 01/16/1996, to Colbert;
2. U.S. Patent No. 5,671,279, issued 09/23/1997, to Elgamal;
3. U.S. Patent No. 5,715,399, issued 02/03/1998, to Bezos;
4. U.S. Patent No. 5,826,245, issued 10/20/1998, to Sandberg-Diment;
5. U.S. Patent No. 5,883,810, issued 03/16/1999, to Franklin, et al.;
6. U.S. Patent No. 5,903,721, issued 05/11/1999, to Sixtus;
7. U.S. Patent No. 5,991,738, issued 11/23/1999, to Ogram;
8. U.S. Patent No. 6,000,832, issued 12/14/1999, to Franklin, et al. and
9. U.S. Patent No. 6,012,144, issued 01/04/2000, to Pickett.

A PTO form 1449 listing these documents is enclosed.

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